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To improve the economic conditions and supply of housing in Native American communities by creating the Native American Financial Services Organization, and for other purposes.

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Mr. Campbell (for himself, Mr. Inouye, and Mr. McCain) (by request) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs

A BILL

- To improve the economic conditions and supply of housing in Native American communities by creating the Native American Financial Services Organization, and for other purposes.
 - 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
 - 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
 - 3 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.
 - 4 (a) SHORT TITLE.—This Act may be cited as the
 - 5 "Native American Financial Services Organization Act of
 - 6 1994".
 - 7 (b) Table of Contents.—The table of contents for
 - 8 this Act is as follows:

Sec. 1. Short title.

TITLE I—STATEMENT OF POLICY; DEFINITIONS

- Sec. 101. Policy.
- Sec. 102. Statement of purposes.
- Sec. 103. Definitions.

TITLE II—NATIVE AMERICAN FINANCIAL SERVICES ORGANIZATION

- Sec. 201. Establishment of the organization.
- Sec. 202. Authorized assistance and service functions.
- Sec. 203. Native American lending services grant.
- Sec. 204. Audits.
- Sec. 205. Annual housing and economic development reports.
- Sec. 206. Advisory council.

TITLE III—CAPITALIZATION OF ORGANIZATION

- Sec. 301. Capitalization of the organization.
- Sec. 302. Obligations and securities of the organization.
- Sec. 303. Limit on total assets and liabilities.

TITLE IV—REGULATION, EXAMINATION, AND REPORTS

- Sec. 401. Regulation, examination, and reports—OFHEO.
- Sec. 402. Regulation of the secretary of HUD.

TITLE V-FORMATION OF NEW CORPORATION

- Sec. 501. Formation of new corporation.
- Sec. 502. Adoption and approval of merger plan.
- Sec. 503. Consummation of merger.
- Sec. 504. Transition.
- Sec. 505. Effect of merger.

TITLE VI—AUTHORIZATIONS OF APPROPRIATIONS

- Sec. 601. Authorization of appropriations for Native American financial institutions.
- Sec. 602. Authorization of appropriations for organization.

1 TITLE I—STATEMENT OF

2 **POLICY; DEFINITIONS**

- 3 **SEC. 101. POLICY.**
- 4 Based upon the findings and recommendations by the
- 5 Commission on American Indian, Alaska Native and Na-
- 6 tive Hawaiian Housing established by Public Law 101-
- 7 235, the Congress has determined that housing shortages

- 1 and deplorable living conditions are at crisis proportions
- 2 in Native American communities throughout the United
- 3 States. The lack of private capital to finance housing and
- 4 economic development for Native Americans and Native
- 5 American communities seriously exacerbates this problem.
- 6 To begin to address this crisis, it is the policy of the
- 7 United States to improve the economic conditions and sup-
- 8 ply of housing in Native American communities through-
- 9 out the United States by creating the Native American
- 10 Financial Services Organization. It is anticipated that
- 11 when the Native American Financial Services Organiza-
- 12 tion is no longer a Congressionally chartered body cor-
- 13 porate, it will function as a tribal, state or District of Co-
- 14 lumbia corporation.

15 SEC. 102. STATEMENT OF PURPOSES.

- 16 The purposes of this Act are—
- 17 (1) to help serve the mortgage and other lend-
- ing needs of Native Americans by assisting in the es-
- 19 tablishment and organization of Native American
- 20 Financial Institutions, developing and providing fi-
- 21 nancial expertise and technical assistance to Native
- 22 American Financial Institutions, including assist-
- ance on how to overcome barriers to lending on Na-
- 24 tive American lands, and the past and present im-
- 25 pact of discrimination;

- 1 (2) to promote access to mortgage credit in Na-2 tive American communities in the Nation by increas-3 ing the liquidity of financing for housing and im-4 proving the distribution of investment capital avail-5 able for such financing, primarily through Native 6 American Financial Institutions;
 - (3) to promote the infusion of public capital into Native American communities throughout the United States and to direct sources of public and private capital into housing and economic development for Native American individuals and families, primarily through Native American Financial Institutions; and
 - (4) to provide ongoing assistance to the secondary market for residential mortgages and economic development loans for Native American individuals and families, Native American Financial Institutions, and other borrowers by increasing the liquidity of such investments and improving the distribution of investment capital available for such financing.

21 SEC. 103. DEFINITIONS.

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For purposes of this Act, the following definitions shall apply:

- 1 (1) The term "Alaska Native" means any per-2 son recognized as an Alaska Native by the Federal 3 Government.
 - (2) The term "Board of Directors" means the board of directors of the Organization.
 - (3) The term "Chairperson" means the chairperson of the Board of Directors.
 - (4) The term "designated merger date" means the specific calendar date and time of day designated by the Board of Directors under section 502(b).
 - (5) The term "Fund" means the Community Development Financial Institutions Fund established by the Community Development Banking and Financial Institutions Act of 1994.
 - (6) The term "Indian Tribe" means any Indian tribe, band, nation, or other organized group or community, including any Alaska Native village or regional or village corporation as defined in or established pursuant to the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act which is recognized as eligible for the special programs and services provided by the United States to Indians because of their status as Indians.

1	(7) The term "merger plan" means the plan of
2	merger adopted by the Board of Directors according
3	the section 502(a).
4	(8) The term "Native American" means any
5	member of an Indian Tribe. The term "Native
6	American Financial Institution' means a person
7	(other than an individual) that—
8	(A) qualifies as a "community development
9	financial institution" under the Community De-
10	velopment Banking and Financial Institutions
11	Act of 1994;
12	(B) satisfies the requirements established
13	by the Community Development Banking and
14	Financial Institutions Act of 1994 and the
15	Fund for applicants for assistance from the
16	Fund;
17	(C) demonstrates a special interest and ex-
18	pertise in serving the primary economic develop-
19	ment and mortgage lending needs of the Native
20	American community; and
21	(D) demonstrates that it has the endorse-
22	ment of the Native American community it in-
23	tends to serve.
24	(9) The term "Native American lender" means
25	a Native American Financial Institution, Native

- American governing body, Native American housing authority or other Native American financial institution which acts as a primary mortgage or economic development lender in a Native American community.
 - (10) The term "new corporation" means the corporation formed according to section 501.
 - (11) The term "nonqualifying mortgage loan" means a mortgage loan deemed by the Organization to be of such quality, type, class or principal amount as to not meet the purchase standards of the Federal National Mortgage Association or the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation in effect on September 30, 1994.
 - (12) The term "Organization" means the Native American Financial Services Organization.
 - (13) The term "qualifying mortgage loan" means a mortgage loan deemed by the Organization to be of such quality, type, class or principal amount as to meet the purchase standards of the Federal National Mortgage Association or the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation in effect on September 30, 1994.
- 24 (14) The term "transition period" means the 25 period of time between the approval of the merger

- 1 plan by both the Secretary of Housing and Urban
- 2 Development and the Secretary of the Treasury and
- 3 the designated merger date.

4 TITLE II—NATIVE AMERICAN FI-

5 NANCIAL SERVICES ORGANI-

6 ZATION

7 SEC. 201. ESTABLISHMENT OF THE ORGANIZATION.

- 8 (a) Creation; Board of Directors; Policies;
- 9 Principal Office; Membership; Vacancies.—
- 10 (1) There is established and chartered a body
- 11 corporate to be known as the Native American Fi-
- nancial Services Organization ("Organization"). The
- Organization shall have existence as a Congression-
- ally chartered body corporate until the designated
- merger date, at which time its charter shall termi-
- nate, unless such charter is earlier surrendered by
- the Organization. The right to revise, amend or
- modify the Organization charter is specifically and
- 19 exclusively reserved to the Congress.
- 20 (2) The powers of the Organization shall be
- vested in a Board of Directors. The Board of Direc-
- tors shall determine the policies that govern the op-
- erations and management of the Organization. The
- principal office of the Organization shall be in the
- 25 District of Columbia. For purposes of venue, Orga-

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nization shall be considered a resident of the District of Columbia.

(3)(A) The Board of Directors of the Organization shall consist of nine persons, three of whom shall be appointed by the President of the United States to serve at the President's pleasure and six of whom shall be elected by the class A stockholders, all in accordance with the bylaws of the Organization. If class B stock is issued under section 301(b), the Board of Directors shall consist of 13 persons, and the four additional members shall be elected by the class B stockholders in accordance with the bylaws of the Organization. Each member of the Board of Directors shall be elected or appointed for a term of four years, except that the members of the initial Board of Directors shall have the following terms: of the three members appointed by the President, one will have a two-year term, one will have a three-year term, and one will have a four-year term, all as designated by the President at the time of their appointments; of the six members elected by the class A stockholders, two will have two-year terms, two will have three-year terms, and the remaining two will have four- year terms; and if class B stock is issued and four additional members are

- elected by the class B stockholders, one will have a two-year term, one will have a three-year term, and the remaining two will have four-year terms. All members appointed by the President shall have expertise in one or more of the following areas: Native American housing and economic development programs, financing in Native American communities, Native American governing bodies and court systems, restricted and trust land issues, economic development, and small consumer loans.
 - (B) The Board of Directors shall select a Chairperson from among its members, except that the initial Chairperson shall be selected from among the members of the initial Board of Directors who have been appointed or elected to four-year terms.
 - (C)(i) Any appointed directorship that becomes vacant shall be filled by appointment by the President of the United States, but only for the unexpired portion of the term.
 - (ii) Any elected directorship that becomes vacant shall be filled by appointment by the Board of Directors, but only for the unexpired portion of the term.
 - (D) Any member of the Board of Directors may continue to serve after the expiration of the term of

1	office to which the director was appointed or elected
2	until a successor has been appointed or elected, and
3	qualified.
4	(b) Powers of the Organization.—The Organi-
5	zation shall have power—
6	(1) to adopt, alter, and use a corporate seal;
7	(2) to adopt bylaws, consistent with this Act,
8	regulating, among other things, the manner in
9	which—
10	(A) the business of the Organization shall
11	be conducted;
12	(B) the elected directors of the Organiza-
13	tion shall be elected;
14	(C) the stock of the Organization shall be
15	issued, held, and disposed of;
16	(D) the property of the Organization shall
17	be disposed of; and,
18	(E) the powers and privileges granted to
19	the Organization by this Act and other law
20	shall be exercised and enjoyed;
21	(3) to make and perform contracts, agreements,
22	and commitments, including entering into a coopera-
23	tive agreement with the Fund;
24	(4) to prescribe and impose fees and charges
25	for services provided by the Organization;

- 1 (5) to settle, adjust, and compromise, and with 2 or without consideration or benefit to the Organiza-3 tion to release or waive in whole or in part, in ad-4 vance or otherwise, any claim, demand, or right of, 5 by, or against the Organization, provided that such 6 settlement, adjustment, compromise, release or waiv-7 er shall not be adverse to the interests of the United 8 States;
 - (6) to sue and be sued, complain and defend, in any tribal, State, Federal, or other court;
 - (7) to acquire, take, hold, and own, and to deal with and dispose of any property;
 - (8) to determine its necessary expenditures and the manner in which the same shall be incurred, allowed, and paid, and appoint, employ, and fix and provide for the compensation and benefits of officers, employees, attorneys, and agents as the Board of Directors determines reasonable and not inconsistent with the provisions this section;
 - (9) to incorporate a new corporation under State, District of Columbia or tribal law, as provided in section 501;
- 23 (10) to adopt a plan of merger, as provided in section 502:

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- 1 (11) to consummate the merger of the Organi-2 zation into the new corporation, as provided in sec-3 tion 503; and
- 4 (12) to have succession until the designated 5 merger date or any earlier date on which the Orga-6 nization surrenders its Federal charter.
- 7 (c) Investment of Funds; Designation as De-
- 8 POSITARY, CUSTODIAN, OR AGENT FOR ORGANIZATION OF
- 9 Any Federal Reserve Bank, Federal Home Loan
- 10 Bank, or Any Bank Designated as Depositary of
- 11 Public Money.—Moneys of the Organization not re-
- 12 quired to meet current operating expenses shall be in-
- 13 vested in obligations of, or obligations guaranteed by, the
- 14 United States or any agency thereof, or in obligations,
- 15 participations or other instruments that are lawful invest-
- 16 ments for fiduciary, trust or public funds. Any Federal
- 17 Reserve bank or Federal home loan bank, or any bank
- 18 as to which at the time of its designation by the Organiza-
- 19 tion there is outstanding a designation by the Secretary
- 20 of the Treasury as a general or other depositary of public
- 21 money, may be designated by the Organization as a depos-
- 22 itary or custodian or as a fiscal or other agent of the Orga-
- 23 nization, and is hereby authorized to act as such deposi-
- 24 tary, custodian, or agent.

- 1 (d) ACTIONS BY AND AGAINST THE ORGANIZATION;
- 2 JURISDICTION; REMOVAL OF ACTIONS; ATTACHMENT OR
- 3 EXECUTION ISSUED AGAINST THE ORGANIZATION.—Not-
- 4 withstanding section 1349 of title 28 of the United States
- 5 Code or any other provision of law—

- 6 (1) the Organization shall be deemed to be an agency included in sections 1345 and 1442 of such title 28;
 - (2) all civil actions to which the Organization is a party shall be deemed to arise under the laws of the United States, and the district courts of the United States shall have original jurisdiction of all such actions, without regard to amount or value; and
 - (3) any civil or other action, case or controversy in a tribal court, court of a State, or in any court other than a district court of the United States, to which the Organization is a party may at any time before the trial thereof be removed by the Organization, without the giving of any bond or security, to the district court of the United States for the district and division embracing the place where the same is pending, or, if there is no such district court, to the district court of the United States for the District of Columbia, by following any procedure

1	for removal of causes in effect at the time of that
2	removal.
3	SEC. 202. AUTHORIZED ASSISTANCE AND SERVICE FUNC-
4	TIONS.
5	(a) TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE AND SERVICES.—The
6	Organization is authorized to—
7	(1) assist the Fund in the establishment and
8	organization of Native American Financial Institu-
9	tions;
10	(2) assist the Fund in developing and providing
11	financial expertise and technical assistance to Native
12	American Financial Institutions, including methods
13	of underwriting, securing, servicing, packaging, and
14	selling mortgage and small commercial and
15	consumer loans;
16	(3) develop and provide specialized technical as-
17	sistance on how to overcome barriers to primary
18	mortgage lending on Native American lands, includ-
19	ing issues related to trust lands, discrimination, high
20	operating costs, and inapplicability of standard un-
21	derwriting criteria;
22	(4) assist the Fund in providing mortgage un-
23	derwriting assistance (but not originate loans) under
24	contract to Native American Financial Institutions;

- Association, the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation, and other participants in the secondary market for home mortgage instruments in identifying and eliminating barriers to their purchase of Native American mortgage loans originated by Native American Financial Institutions and other lenders in Native American communities;
 - (6) obtain capital investments in the Organization from Indian tribes, Native American organizations, and others;
 - (7) assist the Fund in its operation as an information clearinghouse, providing information on financial practices to Native American Financial Institutions; and
 - (8) assist the Fund in monitoring and reporting to the Congress on the performance of Native American Financial Institutions in meeting the economic development and housing credit needs of Native Americans.
- 21 (b) Purchases and Sales of Mortgages and
- 22 MORTGAGE-BACKED SECURITIES.—In the event that the
- 23 Secretary of Housing and Urban Development determines
- 24 that the combined purchases by the Federal National
- 25 Mortgage Association and the Federal Home Loan Mort-

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- 1 gage Corporation of residential one to four family Native
- 2 American nonqualifying mortgage loans originated by Na-
- 3 tive American Financial Institutions and other lenders—
- 4 (1) in the second year following the establish-
- 5 ment of the Organization total less than
- 6 \$20,000,000, unless it can be demonstrated to the
- 7 Secretary of Housing and Urban Development that
- 8 such purchase goal could not be met; or
- 9 (2) in any succeeding year, total less than that 10 amount which the Secretary of Housing and Urban 11 Development has determined and published as a rea-12 sonable Native American mortgage purchase goal for such combined purchases by the Federal National 13 14 Mortgage Association and the Federal Home Loan 15 Mortgage Corporation in such year; the Organiza-16 tion shall thereafter be permitted to make such pur-17 chases. In determining such goal, the Secretary shall 18 take into account the Fund's study of Native Amer-19 ican lending and investment required by the Com-20 munity Development Banking and Financial Institutions Act of 1994. The Organization, upon receiving 21
- written confirmation from the Secretary of Housing
- and Urban Development, is thereafter authorized,
- 24 without restriction as to time, to—

1	(A) with respect to residential mortgage
2	loans originated by Native American Financial
3	Institutions which are qualifying mortgage
4	loans—
5	(i) purchase such qualifying mortgage
6	loans;
7	(ii) hold such qualifying mortgage
8	loans for a period of time not to exceed 12
9	months; and
10	(iii) resell such qualifying mortgage
11	loans to the Federal National Mortgage
12	Association, the Federal Home Loan Mort-
13	gage Corporation or other secondary mar-
14	ket participants, as provided in section
15	303(b);
16	(B) with respect to residential mortgage
17	loans originated by the Native American Finan-
18	cial Institutions which are nonqualifying mort-
19	gage loans—
20	(i) purchase such nonqualifying mort-
21	gage loans from the Native American Fi-
22	nancial Institutions for such term as the
23	Organization deems appropriate including
24	the life of the mortgage loan, provided
25	that—

1	(I) the Organization has reason-
2	able assurance that the loan will be
3	repaid within the time agreed;
4	(II) the Native American Finan-
5	cial Institution selling the loan retains
6	a participation of not less than 10 per
7	centum in the mortgage;
8	(III) the Native American Finan-
9	cial Institution selling the loan agrees
10	for such period of time and under
11	such circumstances as the Organiza-
12	tion may require, to repurchase or re-
13	place the mortgage upon demand of
14	the Organization in the event that the
15	loan is in default; or
16	(IV) that portion of the outstand-
17	ing principal balance of the loan
18	which exceeds 80 per centum of the
19	value of the property securing such
20	loan is guaranteed or insured by a
21	qualified insurer as determined by the
22	Organization;
23	(ii) issue mortgage-backed securities
24	or other forms of participations based on

1	pools of such nonqualifying mortgage
2	loans, as provided in section 303(c);
3	(C) to purchase, service, sell, lend on the
4	security of, and otherwise deal in—
5	(i) residential mortgages that are se-
6	cured by a subordinate lien against a one-
7	or four-family residence that is the prin-
8	cipal residence of the mortgagor; and
9	(ii) residential mortgages that are se-
10	cured by a subordinate lien against a prop-
11	erty comprising five or more family dwell-
12	ing units; and
13	(D) rights and remedies of the Organiza-
14	tion, including without limitation on the gener-
15	ality of the foregoing any rights and remedies
16	of the Organization on, under, or with respect
17	to any mortgage or any obligation secured
18	thereby, shall be immune from impairment, lim-
19	itation, or restriction by or under—
20	(i) any law (except laws enacted by
21	the Congress expressly in limitation of this
22	sentence) which becomes effective after the
23	acquisition by the Organization of the sub-
24	ject or property on, under, or with respect
25	to which such right or remedy arises or ex-

1	ists or would so arise or exist in the ab-
2	sence of such law; or
3	(ii) any administrative or other action
4	which becomes effective after such acquisi-
5	tion. The Organization is authorized to
6	conduct its business without regard to any
7	qualification or similar statute in the Dis-
8	trict of Columbia, or any State or tribal ju-
9	risdiction.
10	SEC. 203. NATIVE AMERICAN LENDING SERVICES GRANT.
11	To the extent funds are available as provided in sec-
12	tion 602, and the Fund and the Organization enter into
13	a cooperative agreement for the Organization to provide
14	technical assistance and other services to Native American
15	Financial Institutions, such agreement shall provide that
16	the initial grant payment, anticipated to be \$5,000,000
17	shall be made when the initial Organization Board of Di-
18	rectors takes office. The payment of the balance of
19	\$5,000,000 shall be made to the Organization not later
20	than one year from the date of the initial grant payment.
21	SEC. 204. AUDITS.
22	(a) Independent Audits.—
23	(1) The Organization shall have an annual
24	independent audit made of its financial statements

- by an independent public accountant in accordance
 with generally accepted auditing standards.
 - (2) In conducting an audit under this subsection, the independent public accountant shall determine and report on whether the financial statements of the Organization—
 - (A) are presented fairly in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles; and
 - (B) to the extent determined necessary by the Director of the Office of Federal Housing Enterprise Oversight of the Department of Housing and Urban Development, comply with any disclosure requirements imposed under section 401.

(b) GAO AUDITS.—

- (1) Beginning after the first two years of the Organization's operation, unless earlier required by any other statute, grant or agreement, the programs, activities, receipts, expenditures, and financial transactions of the Organization shall be subject to audit by the Comptroller General of the United States under such rules and regulations as may be prescribed by the Comptroller General.
- (2) To carry out this subsection, the representatives of the General Accounting Office shall have

- 1 access to all books, accounts, financial records, re-2 ports, files and all other papers, things, or property 3 belonging to or in use by the Organization and necessary to facilitate the audit, and they shall be afforded full facilities for verifying transactions with 5 6 the balances or securities held by depositaries, fiscal agents, and custodians. The representatives of the 7 General Accounting Office shall also have access, 8 9 upon request to the Organization or any auditor for 10 an audit of the Organization under subsection (a), 11 to any books, accounts, financial records, reports, 12 files, or other papers, things, or property belonging 13 to or in use by the Organization and used in any 14 such audit and to any papers, records, files, and re-15 ports of the auditor used in such an audit.
 - (3) A report on each such audit shall be made by the Comptroller General to the Congress.
 - (4) The Organization shall reimburse the General Accounting Office for the full cost of any such audit as billed therefor by the Comptroller General.
- 21 SEC. 205. ANNUAL HOUSING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOP-
- 22 **MENT REPORTS.**
- The Organization shall collect, maintain, and provide to the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, in a form determined by the Secretary, such data relating

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- 1 to its mortgages on housing consisting of one to four
- 2 dwelling units and of more than four dwelling units and
- 3 to its activities relating to economic development as the
- 4 Secretary deems appropriate.

5 SEC. 206. ADVISORY COUNCIL.

- 6 (a) Establishment.—The Board of Directors shall
- 7 establish an Advisory Council.
- 8 (b) Membership.—The Advisory Council shall con-
- 9 sist of 13 members, 1 representative from each of the 12
- 10 districts established by the Bureau of Indian Affairs and
- 11 one from Hawaii. Each member shall be appointed by the
- 12 Board of Directors. No fewer than six of the members of
- 13 the Advisory Council shall have financial expertise. No
- 14 fewer than nine of the Advisory Council shall be Native
- 15 Americans. Each member shall be appointed for a term
- 16 of four years; except that the initial council shall be ap-
- 17 pointed as follows: four members will have a two-year
- 18 term, four members will have a three- year term, and the
- 19 remaining five members will have a four-year term, all as
- 20 designated by the Board of Directors at the time of their
- 21 appointments.
- 22 (c) DUTIES.—The Advisory Council shall advise the
- 23 Board of Directors on all policy matters of the Organiza-
- 24 tion. Through the regional representation of its members,

- 1 the Council shall provide information to the Board from
- 2 all sectors of the Native American community.

3 TITLE III—CAPITALIZATION OF

4 ORGANIZATION

- 5 SEC. 301. CAPITALIZATION OF THE ORGANIZATION.
- 6 (a) CLASS A STOCK.—The class A stock of the Orga-
- 7 nization shall be issued to Indian Tribes. The allocation
- 8 shall be by population as determined by the Secretary of
- 9 Housing and Urban Development in consultation with the
- 10 Secretary of the Interior. The class A stock shall have
- 11 such par value and other characteristics as the Organiza-
- 12 tion provides. The class A stock shall be vested with voting
- 13 rights, each share being entitled to 1 vote. The class A
- 14 stock is nontransferable only and it shall be surrendered
- 15 to the Organization in the event the holder is no longer
- 16 recognized as an Indian Tribe under this Act.
- 17 (b) CLASS B STOCK.—The Organization is author-
- 18 ized to issue class B stock evidencing capital contributions
- 19 in the manner and amount, and subject to any limitations
- 20 on concentration of ownership, as may be established by
- 21 the Organization. When authorized to be issued, the class
- 22 B stock shall be available for purchase by investors, and
- 23 shall be entitled to such dividends as may be declared by
- 24 the Board of Directors in accordance with subsection (c).
- 25 The class B stock shall have such par value and other

- 1 characteristics as the Organization provides. The class B
- 2 stock shall be vested with voting rights, each share being
- 3 entitled to 1 vote. The class B stock is transferable only
- 4 on the books of the Organization.

(c) Charges and Fees; Earnings.—

- (1) The Organization may impose charges or fees, which may be regarded as elements of pricing, with the objective that all costs and expenses of the operations of the Organization should be within its income derived from such operations and that such operations would be fully self-supporting.
- (2) All earnings from the operations of the Organization shall be annually transferred to the general surplus account of the Organization. At any time, funds in the general surplus account may, in the discretion of the Board of Directors, be transferred to reserves.

(d) Capital Distributions.—

(1) Except as provided in paragraph (2), the Organization may make such capital distributions (as such term is defined in section 1303 of the Federal Housing Financial Safety and Soundness Act of 1992) as may be declared by the Board of Directors. All capital distributions shall be charged against the general surplus account of the Organization.

1 (2) The Organization may not make any capital 2 distribution that would decrease the total capital (as such term is defined in section 1303 of the Federal 3 Housing Financial Safety and Soundness Act of 1992) of the Organization to an amount less than 6 the capital level for the Organization established 7 under section 401, without prior written approval of the distribution by the Director of the Office of Fed-8 9 eral Housing Enterprise Oversight of the Depart-10 ment of Housing and Urban Development.

11 SEC. 302. OBLIGATIONS AND SECURITIES OF THE ORGANI-

12 **ZATION**.

13 (a) Obligations.—The Organization is authorized to borrow money, to give security, to pay interest or other 14 return, and to issue upon the approval of the Secretary of the Treasury, notes, debentures, bonds, or other obligations having maturities and bearing such rate or rates of interest as may be determined by the Organization with the approval of the Secretary of the Treasury, provided that such borrowing and issuing of obligations qualifies 21 as a transaction by an issuer not involving any public offering under section 4(2) of the Securities Act of 1933. Obligations issued by the Organization under this section 23 shall not be obligations of, nor shall payment of the principal of or interest on such obligations be guaranteed by,

- 1 the United States or any agency thereof, and the obliga-
- 2 tions shall so plainly state.
- 3 (b) Resales of Qualifying Mortgage Loans.—
- 4 The sale or other disposition by the Organization of quali-
- 5 fying mortgage loans under section 202(b)(1) shall be
- 6 upon such terms and conditions relating to resale, repur-
- 7 chase, substitution, replacement or otherwise as the Orga-
- 8 nization may prescribe, except that the Organization may
- 9 not guarantee or insure the payment of any mortgage loan
- 10 sold under section 202(b)(1).
- 11 (c) SECURITIES BACKED BY NONQUALIFYING MORT-
- 12 GAGE LOANS.—Securities in the form of debt obligations
- 13 or trust certificates of beneficial interest, or both, and
- 14 based upon nonqualifying mortgage loans held and set
- 15 aside by the Organization under section 202(b)(2), may
- 16 be issued upon the approval of the Secretary of the Treas-
- 17 ury and shall have such maturities and shall bear such
- 18 rate or rates of interest as may be determined by the Or-
- 19 ganization with the approval of the Secretary of the Treas-
- 20 ury provided that such issuing of securities qualifies as
- 21 a transaction by an issuer not involving any public offering
- 22 under section 4(2) of the Securities Act of 1933.
- 23 (d) Prohibitions and Restrictions; Creation
- 24 OF LIENS AND CHARGES; RANK AND PRIORITY; CAUSES
- 25 of Action to Enforce; Jurisdiction; Service of

- 1 Process.—The Organization may, by regulation or by
- 2 writing executed by the Organization, establish prohibi-
- 3 tions or restrictions upon the creation of indebtedness or
- 4 obligations of the Organization or of liens or charges upon
- 5 property of the Organization, including after-acquired
- 6 property, and create liens and charges, which may be
- 7 floating liens or charges, upon all or any part or parts
- 8 of the property of the Organization, including after-ac-
- 9 quired property. Such prohibitions, restrictions, liens, and
- 10 charges shall have such effect, including without limitation
- 11 on the generality of the foregoing such rank and priority,
- 12 as may be provided by regulations of the Organization or
- 13 by writings executed by the Organization, and shall create
- 14 causes of action which may be enforced by action in the
- 15 United States District Court for the District of Columbia
- 16 or in the United States district court for any judicial dis-
- 17 trict in which any of the property affected is located. Proc-
- 18 ess in any such action may run to and be served in any
- 19 judicial district or any place subject to the jurisdiction of
- 20 the United States.
- 21 (e) Validity of Provisions; Validity of Re-
- 22 STRICTIONS, PROHIBITIONS, LIENS, OR CHARGES.—The
- 23 provisions of this section and of any restriction, prohibi-
- 24 tion, lien, or charge referred to in subsection (b) shall be
- 25 fully effective notwithstanding any other law, including

without limitation on the generality of the foregoing any law of or relating to sovereign immunity or priority. SEC. 303. LIMIT ON TOTAL ASSETS AND LIABILITIES. 4 The aggregate of— (1) the total equity of the Organization, includ-6 ing all capital from any issuance of class B stock; 7 and (2) the total liabilities of the Organization, in-8 9 cluding all obligations issued or incurred by the Or-10 ganization, shall not at any time exceed \$20,000,000. TITLE IV—REGULATION, 12 **EXAMINATION, AND REPORTS** 13 SEC. 401. REGULATION. EXAMINATION. AND REPORTS— 15 OFHEO. 16 (a) Effective Date of Section.—The provisions of this section shall be effective on the date the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development makes the determination in accordance with the provisions of section 202(b), that the Organization is authorized to purchase and sell 21 mortgages and mortgage backed securities. 22 (b) IN GENERAL.—The Organization shall be subject to the regulatory authority of the Office of Federal Housing Enterprise Oversight of the Department of Housing

and Urban Development with respect to all matters relat-

- 1 ing to the financial safety and soundness of the Organiza-
- 2 tion.
- 3 (c) DUTY OF DIRECTOR OF OFHEO.—The duty of
- 4 the Director of the Office of Federal Housing Enterprise
- 5 Oversight shall be to ensure that the Organization is ade-
- 6 quately capitalized and operating safely as a Congression-
- 7 ally chartered body corporate.
- 8 (d) Powers of Director of OFHEO.—The Direc-
- 9 tor of the Office of Federal Housing Enterprise Oversight
- 10 shall have all of the exclusive powers granted the Director
- 11 under section 1313 (b), (d), and (e) of the Housing and
- 12 Community Development Act of 1992, as determined by
- 13 the Director to be necessary or appropriate to regulate the
- 14 operations of the Organization.
- 15 (e) Reports to Director of OFHEO.—
- 16 (1) The Organization shall submit to the Direc-
- tor of the Office of Federal Housing Enterprise
- Oversight annual reports of the financial condition
- and operations of the Organization which shall be in
- such form, contain such information, and be submit-
- 21 ted on such dates as the Director shall require.
- 22 (2) The Organization shall also submit to the
- 23 Director any other reports required by the Director
- pursuant to section 1314 of the Housing and Com-
- 25 munity Development Act of 1992.

1 (3) Each report shall contain a declaration by
2 the president, vice president, treasurer, or any other
3 officer designated by the Board of Directors of the
4 Organization to make such declaration, that the re5 port is true and correct to the best of such officer's
6 knowledge and belief.
7 (f) FUNDING OFHEO OVERSIGHT.—

- (1) The Director of the Office of Federal Housing Enterprise Oversight shall assess and collect from the Organization such amounts as are necessary to reimburse the Office for the reasonable costs and expenses of the activities undertaken by the Office to carry out the duty of the Director under paragraph (2), including the costs of examinations and overhead expenses.
- (2) Annual assessments imposed by the Director shall be—
- (A) imposed prior to October 1 of each year;
 - (B) collected at such time or times during each assessment year as determined necessary or appropriate by the Director;
 - (C) deposited into the Federal Housing Enterprises Oversight Fund established by sec-

1	tion 1316(f) of the Housing and Community
2	Development Act of 1992; and
3	(D) available, to the extent provided in ap-
4	propriations Acts, for carrying out the Direc-
5	tor's responsibilities under this section.
6	SEC. 402. REGULATION OF THE SECRETARY OF HUD.
7	Except for the authority of the Director of the Office
8	of Federal Housing Enterprise Oversight as provided in
9	section 401, the Secretary of Housing and Urban Develop-
10	ment shall have general regulatory power over the Organi-
11	zation and shall make such rules and regulations applica-
12	ble to the Organization as determined necessary or appro-
13	priate by the Secretary of Housing and Urban Develop-
14	ment to ensure that the purposes of this Act are accom-
15	plished.
16	TITLE V—FORMATION OF NEW
17	CORPORATION
18	SEC. 501. FORMATION OF NEW CORPORATION.
19	(a) IN GENERAL.—In order to continue the accom-
20	plishment of the purposes of this Act beyond the terms
21	of the Federal charter of the Organization, the Board of
22	Directors shall, not later than 10 years after the date of
23	enactment of this Act, cause the formation of a new cor-
24	poration under the laws of any Tribe, any State of the
25	United States or the District of Columbia

- 1 (b) Powers of New Corporation Not Pre-
- 2 SCRIBED.—Except as provided in this section, the new
- 3 corporation may have whatever corporate powers and at-
- 4 tributes permitted under the laws of the jurisdiction of its
- 5 incorporation which the Board of Directors shall deter-
- 6 mine, in its business judgment, to be appropriate.
- 7 (c) Use of NAFSO Name Prohibited..—The new
- 8 corporation may not use in any manner the names "Native
- 9 American Financial Services Organization", "NAFSO" or
- 10 any variation of either thereof.

11 SEC. 502. ADOPTION AND APPROVAL OF MERGER PLAN.

- 12 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than [10] years after
- 13 the date of enactment of this Act, the Board of Directors
- 14 shall prepare, adopt, and submit to the Secretary of Hous-
- 15 ing and Urban Development and the Secretary of the
- 16 Treasury for approval, a plan for merging the Congres-
- 17 sionally chartered Organization into the nonfederally char-
- 18 tered new corporation.

19 (b) DESIGNATED MERGER DATE.—

- 20 (1) The Board of Directors shall establish the
- designated merger date in the merger plan as a spe-
- cific calendar date and time of day at which the
- 23 merger of the Organization into the new corporation
- shall be effective.

- (2) The Board of Directors may change the 1 2 designated merger date in the merger plan by adopt-3 ing an amended plan of merger. (3) Except as provided in paragraph (4), the 5 designated merger date in the merger plan or any amended merger plan shall be not later than 11 6 7 years after the date of enactment of this Act. The Board of Directors may adopt an 8 9 amended plan of merger that designates a date later than 11 years after the date of enactment of this 10 11 Act if the Board of Directors submits to both the 12 Secretary of Housing and Urban Development and the Secretary of the Treasury a report— 13 14 (A) stating that an orderly merger of the Organization into the new corporation is not 15 16 feasible before the last date designated by the 17 Board of Directors: 18 (B) explaining why an orderly merger of 19 the Organization into the new corporation is 20 not feasible before the last date designated by 21 the Board of Directors: 22
 - (C) describing the steps that have been taken to consummate an orderly merger of the Organization into the new corporation not later

- than 11 years after the date of enactment of this Act; and
- 3 (D) describing the steps that will be taken 4 to consummate an orderly and timely merger of 5 the Organization into the new corporation.
- (5) In no case shall any date designated by the Board of Directors in an amended merger plan be later than 12 years after the date of enactment of this Act.
- 10 (6) In no case shall the consummation of an or-11 derly and timely merger of the Organization into the 12 new corporation occur later than 13 years after the 13 date of enactment of this Act.
- 14 (c) GOVERNMENTAL APPROVALS OF MERGER PLAN
 15 REQUIRED.—The merger plan or any amended merger
 16 plan shall not be effective until it has been approved by
 17 both the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development
 18 and the Secretary of the Treasury.
- (d) REVISION OF DISAPPROVED MERGER PLAN REQUIRED.—If either the Secretary of Housing and Urban
 Development or the Secretary of the Treasury, or both,
 disapprove the merger plan or any amended merger plan,
 the disapproving Secretary or Secretaries shall so notify
 the Organization and indicate the reasons for that disapproval, and the Organization shall submit to the Sec-

- 1 retary or Secretaries an amended merger plan responsive
- 2 to such reasons within 30 days from the date of notifica-
- 3 tion of disapproval.
- 4 (e) No Stockholder Approval of Merger Plan
- 5 REQUIRED.—No approval or consent of the stockholders
- 6 of the Organization shall be required to accomplish the
- 7 merger of the Organization into the new corporation.

8 SEC. 503. CONSUMMATION OF MERGER.

- 9 The Board of Directors shall cause the merger of the
- 10 Organization into the new corporation to be accomplished
- 11 according to the merger plan approved by the Secretary
- 12 of Housing and Urban Development and the Secretary of
- 13 the Treasury and all applicable requirements of the law
- 14 of the jurisdiction of incorporation of the new corporation.

15 SEC. 504. TRANSITION.

- 16 (a) Continuation of Rights, Duties, and Re-
- 17 STRICTIONS.—Except as provided in this section, the Or-
- 18 ganization shall, during the transition period, continue to
- 19 have all of the rights, privileges, duties, and obligations,
- 20 and be subject to all of the limitations and restrictions,
- 21 set forth in this Act.
- 22 (b) Collateralization of Outstanding Obliga-
- 23 TIONS.—The Organization shall provide for all debt obli-
- 24 gations of the Organization which are outstanding on the
- 25 day before the designated merger date to be secured as

- 1 to principal and interest by obligations of the United
- 2 States held in trust for the holders of such obligations.
- 3 The collateralization and the trust shall be subject to such
- 4 requirements, terms and conditions as the Secretary of the
- 5 Treasury deems necessary or appropriate.
- 6 (c) Issuance of New Obligations During Tran-
- 7 SITION PERIOD.—As needed to carry out the purposes for
- 8 which it was formed, the Organization may, during the
- 9 transition period, continue to issue obligations under sec-
- 10 tion 303, provided that any new obligation issued during
- 11 the transition period shall mature before the designated
- 12 merger date.

13 SEC. 505. EFFECT OF MERGER.

- 14 (a) Transfer of Assets and Liabilities.—
- 15 (1) At the designated merger date, all property,
- real, personal, and mixed, and all debts due on
- whatever account, and all other choses in action and
- all and every other interest of or belonging to or due
- to the Organization shall be transferred to and vest-
- 20 ed in the new corporation without further act or
- deed, and title to any property, whether real, per-
- sonal, or mixed, shall not in any way be impaired by
- reason of the merger.
- 24 (2) At the designated merger date, the new cor-
- poration shall be responsible and liable for all obliga-

- tions and liabilities of the Organization and neither
- 2 the rights of creditors nor any liens upon the prop-
- a erty of the Organization shall be impaired by the
- 4 merger.
- 5 (b) Termination of the Organization and Its
- 6 FEDERAL CHARTER.—At the designated merger date, the
- 7 surviving corporation of the merger shall be the new cor-
- 8 poration, the Federal charter of the Organization shall
- 9 terminate, and the separate existence of the Organization
- 10 shall terminate.
- 11 (c) References to the Organization in Acts of
- 12 CONGRESS.—From and after the designated merger date,
- 13 any reference to the Organization in any Act of Congress
- 14 [or in any rule or regulation promulgated under any Act
- 15 of Congress] shall not be deemed to refer to the new cor-
- 16 poration.
- 17 (d) SAVINGS CLAUSE.—
- 18 (1) The merger of the Organization into the
- 19 new corporation shall not abate any proceeding com-
- 20 menced by or against the Organization before the
- designated merger date, except that the new cor-
- poration shall be substituted for the Organization as
- a party to any such proceeding as of the designated
- 24 merger date.

1	(2) All contracts and agreements to which the
2	Organization is a party and which are in effect on
3	the day before the designated merger date shall con-
4	tinue in effect according to their terms, except that
5	the new corporation shall be substituted for the Or-
6	ganization as a party to those contracts and agree-
7	ments as of the designated merger date.
8	TITLE VI—AUTHORIZATIONS OF
9	APPROPRIATIONS
10	SEC. 601. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS FOR NA-
11	TIVE AMERICAN FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS.
12	There is authorized to be appropriated, without fiscal
13	year limitation, to the Fund \$20,000,000 to provide finan-
14	cial assistance to Native American Financial Institutions.
15	To the extent that a Native American Financial Institu-
16	tion receives a portion of such appropriation, such monies
17	shall not be considered as matching funds required of the
18	Native American Financial Institution under the Commu-
19	nity Development Banking and Financial Institutions Act.
20	SEC. 602. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS FOR OR-
21	GANIZATION.
22	The Secretary of Housing and Urban Development
23	is authorized, to the extent and in the amounts provided
24	in advance in appropriation Acts, to provide up to
25	\$10,000,000 to the Fund for the funding of a cooperative

- 1 agreement to be entered into by the Fund and the Organi-
- 2 zation for technical assistance and other services to be
- 3 provided by the Organization to the Native American Fi-
- 4 nancial Institutions.

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